



Underserved Populations
Meeting Agenda
August 18, 2011, 1:00 – 2:00pm

Conference Call Info for Meeting-
Conference Dial-in Number: (866) 210-1669
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1. Attendance

2. Subgroup Updates

a. Eligible Populations – Issue Areas Identified

i. Identified Issues facing our population (eligible, underserved)

1. Geographical Barriers (some populations are in constant motion i.e. migrant workers)
2. Transportation
3. Cultural and Linguistic Barriers
4. Program Design (flaws within the benefits programs)

ii. Began to identify strategies to overcome barriers

1. Coordination to ensure adequate coverage particularly in rural communities
2. Outreach and education to ensure that populations know of services. Must be culturally sensitive and language accessible.
3. Integrated points of service to reduce access barriers due to lack of transportation or technology
 - a. Farmers Markets – Tool kits to help farmers markets access federal programs
 - b. Public Libraries
 - c. Widely Publicized Hotlines
4. Replicate service programs that successfully overcome transportation barriers in rural communities such as the pilot project in Milwaukee delivering SFSP meals to children
5. Utilize existing transportation infrastructures to deliver services

b. Ineligible Populations

- i. Developed summary of federal nutrition services available and eligibility criteria (review together)

- ii. Began to identify strategies for reaching ineligible populations
 - 1. Education to service providers on immigrant eligibility to ensure that mixed status households get access to available benefits
 - 2. Private funding to provide services to otherwise ineligible populations
 - a. Educate and incentivize donors
 - b. Connect nutrition and public health in order to leverage outreach and education opportunities

3. Working Group Scope of Recommendations

- Define broad categories within which group may make recommendations, e.g., outreach and education, access/removal of barriers, program rules, program procedures, optimal utilization of programs
- Discuss how to structure this portion of the work – do we remain in subgroups or align around broad categories identified by the working group

4. Process for developing recommendations

- Input, data, and best practices collection: need to gather additional information on programs listed in chart; prepare to assess according to target population group
 - Presentation from ICIRR at next Working Group meeting
- Action steps assignment

5. Set September meeting date

- September meeting goals: begin to collect initial findings, consolidate ideas for in-depth exploration